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TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Donald L. Wolfe
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ALAMEDA CORRIDOR EAST (ACE) PROJECT DECEMBER 20, 2004, MEETING

On December 20, 2004, a member of my staff attended the regular meeting of the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (SGVCOG)-ACE Construction Authority. A copy of the agenda and the adopted minutes of the November 22, 2004, meeting are attached. The following items occurred at the meeting, which are of interest to the County.

Under Agenda Item IV, Chairman Baldwin announced that the SGVCOG representative on the ACE Construction Authority's Board, the Honorable Bob Huff, was recently elected to the State Assembly and that Carol Herrera, Vice President of SGVCOG, would be replacing him.

Under Agenda Item V, the Chief Executive Officer's representative reported that bids were received and are being reviewed for the Temple Avenue Train Diversion project. Staff expects to bring a recommendation to award the contract to the January 2005 Board meeting.

Under Agenda Item VI, the Chief Financial Officer reported that the ACE Construction Authority's recent financial audit disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under the Government Auditing Standards.

Under Agenda Item VII, the ACE Construction Authority's Board met in closed session to discuss purchasing a property for the Ramona Boulevard Grade Separation project at 11171 Valley Boulevard, El Monte, California 91731. When the Board reconvened, it was announced that the property would be purchased.

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The next meeting of the ACE Construction Authority's Board will be on January 24, 2005, at the Irwindale City Hall at 2 p.m.

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Attach.

cc: Chief Administrative Office
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REGULAR MEETING AGENDA Monday, December 20, 2004 2P.M. Irwindale City Hall - Council Chambers 5050 Irwindale Avenue Irwindale, CA 91706

Members of the public may comment on any item on the agenda at the time it is taken up by the Board. We ask that members of the public come forward to be recognized by the Chair and keep their remarks brief. If several persons wish to address the Board on a single item, the Chair may impose a three- minute time limit on individual remarks at the beginning of discussion.

All items set forth on this agenda may be subject to action.

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| I. | Roll Call and Introductions | |
| II. | Approval of Minutes - Regular Meeting of November 22, 2004 meeting (Pages 1-3) | Action |
| III. | Public Comment | |
| IV. | Chairman's Remarks | Information |
| V. | Chief Executive Officer's Report (Pages 4-12) | Information |
| VI. | Fiscal Year 2004 Financial Audit (Pages 13-48) | Information |
| VII. | Closed Session:
Conference with real property negotiators in accordance with Government Code
Section 54956.8 | Possible
Action |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Property Address: 11171 Valley Blvd. El Monte, CA 91731
Agency Negotiators: Mark Mendoza, Paragon Partners/Joe Montes, Burke, Williams & Sorensen, LLP
Negotiating Parties: ACE Construction Authority and El Monte Union High School District
Matters under negotiation: Price and terms | |
| VIII. | Adjournment | Action |

The ACE Construction Authority is currently constituted of seven (7) member jurisdictions: the City of El Monte, the City of Industry, the City of Montebello, the City of San Gabriel, the City of Pomona, the County of Los Angeles, and the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments. A San Bernardino County Council of Governments representative is an ex officio Board member.

Each member or alternate has one vote. A quorum of the ACE Construction Authority is no less than four (4) of its total voting membership. Actions taken by the ACE Construction Authority shall be by simple majority of the members present with a quorum in attendance except for personnel actions, the annual budget, matters dealing with the Administrative Code or matters requiring subsequent approval by the SGVCOG, all of which shall require five (5) votes.



**ACE Construction Authority
Regular Board Meeting
November 22, 2004
Minutes**

Chairman Harry Baldwin called the meeting to order at the Irwindale Council Chambers on November 22, 2004 at 2:00 PM.

1. In attendance were:

Harry Baldwin, San Gabriel
Ernest Gutierrez, El Monte
Michael Antonovich, LA County
Ed Cortez, Pomona
Jack Phillips, Industry
Ed Vasquez, Montebello

Staff

Rick Richmond, Chief Executive Officer
Joe Silvey, Legal Counsel
Sharon Neely, staff
Deanna Stanley, staff
Cynthia Ambrose, staff
Girish Roy, staff
Bruce Armistead, staff
Lou Cluster, staff

Guests

Russ Bryden, LA County Public Works
David Varnam, Congressman Gary Miller
Henry Lopez, Foothill Transit
Manuel Saucedo, Senator Nell Soto

2. Approval of Regular Meeting minutes of October 25, 2004.

A motion was made to approve the meeting minutes of October 25, 2004.
M/S/C: Gutierrez/Cortez/Baldwin abstain/Pass

3. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

4. Chairman's Remarks

Chairman Baldwin thanked Vice Chair Gutierrez for chairing last month's meeting while he was attending a Goods Movement Conference. He also thanked the City of El Monte staff for hosting the Ramona Blvd. groundbreaking ceremony. He indicated the groundbreaking was very well done and well attended and thanked ACE staff for their efforts in making the event a success.

5. Chief Executive Officer's Report

Rick Richmond indicated the Temple Avenue train diversion procurement was in progress with two tours for prospective bidders completed. He reported that the bid date was extended to December 7th and expected a recommendation for contract award at the January Board meeting. Mr. Richmond indicated Congress passed an Omnibus bill earmarking ACE \$2M from the ITS. He stated reauthorization legislation will not be passed until '05 and was hopeful for additional funding for other projects. Bruce Armistead reviewed the progress of construction of the Nogales Street grade separation project and the East End/Reservoir grade separation project. Mr. Richmond introduced George Nomura, Bechtel/Korve, who provided a summary of the program management activities over the last month.

6. Approval of Amendment to Program Management FY 2005 Scope of Services

Mr. Richmond reviewed the components of staff report for the program management contract which included post design activities for the Brea Canyon Road and Sunset Avenue grade separations, land acquisition activities, utility and property surveying as well as archeology monitoring during excavation. He indicated the amendment also included updating traffic count data necessary for an evaluation of the crossing safety program required by the MTA.

A motion was made to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to amend the contract with Bechtel/Korve JV to increase the contract value for the FY '05 scope of services by \$889,966 to a new value of \$6,029, for a revised total contract value to \$37,251,820.

M/S/C: Gutierrez/Vasquez/Unanimous

7. Approval of Plans, Specifications and Estimates for Brea Canyon Road Grade Separation.

Girish Roy reviewed the plans, specifications and estimates for the Brea Canyon Road grade separation project. The scope includes a roadway underpass, a double track railroad bridge and modification to existing public streets and the Metrolink parking lot. The construction cost for this project is estimated at \$22-26 million with bids scheduled for June 2005 and contract award expected in August 2005. The construction duration of the project is two years. There were no questions.

A motion was made to approve the plans, specifications and estimates for the Brea Canyon Road grade separation project in the cities of Diamond Bar and Industry and authorize staff to solicit bids.

M/S/C: Cortez/Gutierrez/Unanimous

8. Fiscal Year 2004 Financial Audit

Mr. Richmond indicated this item would be held over to the December Board meeting.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:35PM.